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1. [REDACTED] the USSR Exhibition in Buenos Aires in June 1955. [REDACTED] the Soviet equipment had been on display in India before it was brought to Buenos Aires.
2. The best looking automobile exhibited by the Soviets at the show was a copy of a Buick as produced in the US in 1939 or 1940. Price of this automobile was not discussed. The road grader displayed looked like a US-Adams, a pre-World War II unit. It was very heavy, about 30-tons, awkward to operate and equipped with steel wheels. The driving unit was a very large, slow R P M, Diesel engine. It would ruin any road over which it travelled very often. The typewriters displayed were considerably inferior to those produced in Argentina.
3. The Argentine businessmen felt insulted to think that the Soviets believed they would be interested in purchasing such equipment.

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